

REMARKS

Applicant has included a complete listing of the current claims pending in this application. Claims 25-29 are pending in the application.

This amendment contains no new matter. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Drawings - Formal Drawings

Applicant included in the Request for Continued Examination submitted March 20, 2006, a set of Replacement Sheets for all of the Drawing Sheets originally submitted – Sheets 1 through 6. The Replacement Sheets addressed the issues raised in the drawing review attached to the Examiner's Office action dated September 16, 2005, which was mailed September 20, 2005.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to acknowledge receipt of the Replacement Sheets.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

The examiner maintains the rejection of claims 25, 26, and 27 as being anticipated by the Applicant's own earlier-granted patent: US Patent 6,273,316 (Losada '316).

Applicant notes that claim 25 is an independent claim, with claims 26 and 27 depending from claim 25.

First, with respect to claim 25, the examiner maintains that the track (316) of Losada '316 is "shaped to conform with the shape of the plate" of claim 25 of the present invention. See page 3 of the Office Action of May 04, 2006.

While Applicant respectfully maintains that the angled tracks shown in Losada '316 are not "shaped to conform with the curved shape of the plate" as called for in claim 25 as originally presented, Applicant has amended claim 25 to make the difference between the present invention described in claim 25 and the prior art more clear, by saying that the track matches the contour of the curved plate along the first top side of the plate and the second bottom side of the plate at selected portions of the plate.

Support for the amendment to claim 25 is found in the specification at paragraphs 46 and 47 and figures 8 and 9.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claim 25 be removed, and the rejections of claim 26 and 27 also be removed as they incorporate the limitations of claim 25.

Furthermore, with respect to claim 26, the examiner maintains that the plate of Losada '316 has a groove as described in claim 26. Applicant has amended claim 26 to more specifically describe the location of the groove as being on the raised portion of the plate.

Support for the amendment to claim 26 is found in the specification at paragraph 44 and at paragraph 8, wherein application serial number 10/043,669 is incorporated by reference. Application serial number 10/043,669 at paragraph 35 described the "raised portion" of the plate.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claim 26 be removed.

With respect to claim 27, the examiner maintains that the plate of Losada '316 has an extending portion as described in claim 27. Applicant has amended claim 27 to call for the extending portion to correspond to the groove at the opposite side of the plate.

Support for the amendment to claim 27 is found in the specification at paragraph 45.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claim 27 be removed.

Allowed Claims

Applicant would like to thank the examiner for allowing claims 28 and 29.

Conclusion

In view of the above, Applicants submit that the claims remaining in the application are in condition for allowance and allowance of the claims at an early date is solicited.

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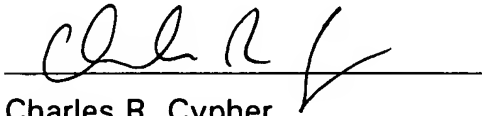
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